



HEALTHCARE IS A HUMAN RIGHT

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Clínica Romero CEO Carlos Vaquerano Lauds President Joe Biden’s Decision to Expand Medicaid and Coverage Under the Affordable Care Act to Dreamers

People in the Deferred Action Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program Can Now Receive Coverage That Can Save Their Lives

(Los Angeles)— “President Joe Biden’s decision to expand Medicaid and coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to individuals in the DACA program, also known as Dreamers, is critical to the health of our immigrant community. Every day at Clínica Romero, we see the tangible difference quality health care has in the lives of our more than 16,500 patients. Our driving principle is that health care is a human right. And President Biden proved that today.

Many adults were brought to this country when they were children, and this is the only home they have known. They have become professionals and a vibrant and important part of society. They are true Dreamers in every sense of the word. They have pursued the lives they want. They have made us a better city, state, and country. It is moral to expand access to healthcare, and it makes economic sense.

Every day we all encounter different people. And if a person has access to preventive health care, they can reduce the possibility of making others sick. They will also reduce the number of sick days they take. In addition, access to prenatal care also ensures that a baby can begin their lives healthily. Investing in people’s health benefits everyone. It is common sense.

Thank you, President Biden, for this critical step. We must continue to advocate and champion all our underserved communities.”

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